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Dear Colleague

Regulation 6 of the Town and Country Planning (Environment Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017 – Request for Screening Opinion

Application for a Screening Opinion for the installation of a waste treatment plant and associated equipment to serve the residential properties on Dock Road at Land At, Dock Road, Sharpness, Berkeley.

The Local Planning Authority (LPA) has received a request under the above Regulations for a Screening opinion in respect of the proposed development above.

The application number is **2022/0449/EIAS** and details can be found online here:

https://publicaccess.stroud.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application

The purpose of the screening exercise is to establish the type and range of environmental receptors which may be affected by the proposal and to agree a suitable method of identifying what these receptors are, how they may or may not be affected and any potential mitigation works. Environmental Receptors can essentially be animal, mineral or vegetable and would include such matters as human beings, protected species, listed buildings, rivers, light pollution, landscape, bird flight patterns etcetera.

At this stage the exercise is merely trying to establish who and what is affected by the proposal in environmental terms and is not concerned in any form with any judgement as to the acceptability or otherwise of these effects. Indeed, it is important to note that whilst this exercise often runs alongside the submission of a planning application, *THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION.*

In acknowledgement that this is not an application for planning permission such comments should be based on the environmental issues arising from the proposal rather than the acceptability or otherwise of the principle of development at this location. Whilst the sensitive nature of the principle of development at this location is fully acknowledged, such matters / comments are considerations more applicable to the determination of the related planning application.

To assist in the production of the requested Screening Opinion, I would welcome the comments of you and/or your organisation as to what environmental receptors you believe would be affected by this proposal, the extent of this effect and how you would wish such effect to be considered in any subsequent Environmental Statement. With the limited time frame that the Local Planning Authority has to produce the opinions, I would welcome your formal response by 18 August 2022 at the latest. If this timescale is problematic, please contact me as a matter of urgency.

Yours sincerely

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